

DEFENDER IS NOT INJURED

STATEMENTS BY CAPTAIN HATT
HAVE BEEN CONFIRMED.

Not a Scratch Was Visible on Her Hull
When an Examination Was Made of Her
in the Dry Dock at Erie Basin—Vigilant
to Undergo an Overhauling.

New York, Aug. 16.—An examination of the keel of the Defender in dry dock at Erie Basin to-day confirmed the statements of Captain Hatt that the grounding off Newport had not in the least injured her. Not a scratch was visible. The Defender had her side scraped and sandpapered during the afternoon and the work of painting her upper body was begun. Her underbody was cleared and riggers were put to work turning up where necessary. The Vigilant is undergoing a similar overhauling.

It was stated about the dock that the Defender was larger than when last measured. Asked to verify this, Mr. Hyslop would neither affirm nor deny the fact, but disclaimed having made the statement. The measurement of the Defender is said to have been a surprise to a few who were let into the secret, being smaller than was supposed. It is stated that the racing figures of the yacht are almost identical.

There is a slight difference, it is said, which will give Vigilant a small time allowance. Achille Glennie, Lord Dunraven's representative, who arrived on the Atlantic yesterday, viewed the Defender after she was drydocked. He said:

"She is smaller than the Valkyrie—smaller than I had any idea she was. Her stick is not so lofty."

Regarding the design, Mr. Glennie said: "I am told she stands up well. If with that small body she does that, then her design must be good."

Of the relative merits and prospects of the Defender and Valkyrie Mr. Glennie said he would prefer to say nothing.

No word has been received from Lord Dunraven's Valkyrie since she was sighted last Monday passing Cape Race, H. Maitland Kersey, Lord Dunraven's representative, does not expect the boat until Sunday or Monday. Owing to the short time the Valkyrie would have to change her rig and prepare for the international races, the dates will probably be set for the middle or latter part of September instead of early in the month as has been talked of. Under the terms of the deed of gift of the America cup the earliest date possible for the first race is ten months from the receipt of the challenge.

Lord Dunraven's challenge was received by cable on the evening of December 6. As the Valkyrie will hardly arrive before Monday the 19th, the first of the cup races will not be set much before September 19.

As ex-Commodore James D. Smith of the cup committee puts it "no one wants to place the Valkyrie at a disadvantage. We wish to see her come to the line in the best possible condition and, if a postponement of a few days will attain that end I am sure the cup committee will go half way to meet Lord Dunraven in the matter."

Mr. Smith states that the measurements of the Defender, which are to be taken to-day or to-morrow, will not be given out until those of the Valkyrie III. are made public.

GOOD TENNIS GAMES.

Paret Surprised Everybody by Defeating Stevens.

Narragansett Pier, Aug. 16.—The semi-finals of the casino invitation tournament were played this afternoon. J. P. Paret of New York, gave everybody a surprise party by defeating Richard Stevens of Hoboken, the winner of many pier tournaments, two to one. The points of the first set:

Paret—4, 1, 4, 7, 4, 5, 4, 4, 5—46 points, 4 games.

Stevens—1, 4, 5, 5, 6, 7, 2, 2, 7—47 points, 6 games.

Stevens played after the score was 3-2 in his favor a little carelessly and Paret ran straight games by hard hitting from the net and short returns, dropped just over the net which his opponent was unable to reach. The points:

Paret—7, 1, 3, 4, 7, 4, 4, 4, 9—43 points, 6 games.

Stevens—5, 4, 5, 1, 9, 1, 2, 6, 4, 7—38 points, 4 games.

In the third Paret secured a winning lead of 4-1 in his favor, which Stevens was unable to overcome. Paret hit every return at a very swift pace except a few short returns. The points:

Paret—5, 1, 4, 5, 5, 2, 4, 2, 2—34 points, 6 games.

Stevens—3, 4, 2, 3, 4, 2, 4, 2—31 points, 4 games.

John Howland defeated J. C. Davidson much more easily than was expected. Davidson hit out of court a great deal, but he passed Howland quite a good deal down the alleys. Howland won 6-0, 6-2, and the points were 30-15 and 23-2.

The summaries—Casino invitation singles, semi-final round:

Paret defeated R. Stevens 4-6, 6-4, 6-2.

Howland defeated Davidson 6-0, 6-2.

Eastern consolation doubles, semi-final round:

Read and Codman defeated Watson and Ogden by default; Davis and Brooks defeated Magruder and Griffith 6-1, 6-1.

Final round—Davis and Brooks defeated Read and Codman 7-5, 6-3, 6-3.

Saturday morning J. Howland and J. P. Paret will play the final match in the Casino invitation singles.

No Occasion for Action.

Bar Harbor, Aug. 16.—Governor Morton said to-night in relation to the Bar Harbor case: "There will be no occasion for action in the case on my part until after the appeal, which has been taken, is decided in October."

ON THE BALL FIELD.

Results of the Games in the Big League Yesterday.

At St. Louis—The game between the St. Louis and the Louisville teams this afternoon amounted to good hitting. Dowd's batting was a feature. He made a home run. The score:

St. Louis...2 0 0 0 1 0 1 0 0-8

Louisville...1 0 5 0 0 0 2 0 0-3

Hits—Louisville 13, St. Louis 11. Errors—Louisville 1, St. Louis 1. Batteries—Inks and Warner; Breitenstein and Reitz.

At Chicago—Young Hewitt was too much for the Chicago to-day, and the locals failed to bunt on him with success. The score:

Pittsburgh...2 0 0 0 2 0 1 0 0-5

Chicago...0 0 0 0 1 0 1 0 0-3

Hits—Chicago 9, Pittsburgh 10. Errors—Chicago 5, Pittsburgh 2. Batteries—Hewitt and Merritt; Terry and Donahue.

At Washington—The Baltimore's hit Mercer's delivery in terrific style at the beginning of to-day's contest. The score:

Baltimore...2 8 0 0 0 0 2 0 0-12

Washington 0 0 0 0 0 4 3 1-8

Hits—Baltimore 16, Washington 11. Errors—Baltimore 2, Washington 1. Batteries—Hemming and Clark; Mercer and Maguire.

At Cleveland—The Cincinnati's lost to-day's game through Pitcher Foreman's wildness and their inability to hit Cappy. The score:

Cincinnati...0 0 0 1 0 0 1 0 0-2

Cleveland...1 0 2 1 0 0 1 0 0-5

Hits—Cincinnati 5, Cleveland 9. Errors—Cincinnati 4, Cleveland 2. Batteries—Foreman and Vaughn; Cappy and Zimmer.

At Philadelphia—Errors by Nash and Tucker and a few timely hits in the third inning won to-day's game for the Philadelphia. The score:

Philadelphia 1 0 5 2 1 0 0 0-9

Boston...0 0 0 4 0 0 0 2 1-7

Hits—Philadelphia 10, Boston 12. Errors—Philadelphia 0, Boston 4. Batteries—Carney and Grady; Nichols and Tenney.

At Brooklyn—The New Yorks and Brooklyn played two games to-day and broke even. The scores:

First game—

New York...0 0 0 1 0 1 0 0 4-6

Brooklyn...1 0 0 1 1 0 1 0 0-4

Hits—New York 5, Brooklyn 10. Errors—New York 4, Brooklyn 3. Batteries—Clarke and Wilson; Stein and Grim.

Second game—

New York...0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0-1

Brooklyn...2 4 0 0 3 1 0-10

Hits—New York 6, Brooklyn 10. Errors—New York 3, Brooklyn 1. Batteries—German and Wilson; Kennedy and Dalley.

PRIESTS AS WITNESSES.

The Sacredness of Confessional Secrets Raised in a Murder Trial.

Montreal, Aug. 16.—A very important point is to be decided at the approaching trial of Azarie Gauthier for the murder of Celine Ansigny, viz., whether or not priests of the Roman Catholic church can be called upon to testify. It has been an inviolable rule of that church that the statements made to a priest in confession are to be held sacred. It appears that on the Thursday night preceding the murder, while Gauthier was sick at his home, he asked to see a priest, and on one being obtained he remained with him for some time. Two days later he made a similar request, which was again complied with; in fact, for some days before the murder Gauthier appears to have been seeking spiritual consolation.

Now Mr. St. Jean, Gauthier's lawyer, announces that he will want to have the two priests examined as witnesses on behalf of the accused, to show whether or not he was in his right mind. The question will arise as to whether the priests can be compelled to speak or not, as they had been called to hear a confession. Theologians are looking into the question to see whether the two priests are competent witnesses.

Call for Bank Statistics.

New York, Aug. 16.—The comptroller of the currency, James H. Eckels, has issued a circular to the national banks asking for a lot of statistical information that is required, he says, for a special purpose not later than the 24th inst. The information desired is as follows:

1. The average daily balances in your bank to the credit of (A) savings banks, (B) state banks, (C) loan and trust companies, located in the state of New York. This statement should show the average daily amounts for the month, the maximum and minimum daily amounts due to each of the three classes, and the amounts due to each class for July 1, 1895.

2. The average daily balances due to your bank from (A) savings banks, (B) state banks, (C) loan and trust companies, located in the state of New York. This statement should show the average daily amounts for the month, the maximum and minimum daily amounts due from each of the three classes, and the amounts due from each class for July 1, 1895.

3. The average daily withdrawals of every description from your bank. This statement should show the daily average for the month of all transactions by which any amounts were either actually withdrawn from the bank or transferred from one account to another, the maximum and minimum daily withdrawals, and the withdrawals for July 1, 1895.

4. The average daily receipts of every description by your bank. This statement should show the average daily amount of receipts by the bank for any purpose whatever during the month, including transfers from one account to another, the maximum and minimum daily receipts, and the receipts for July 1, 1895.

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GOVERNOR'S DAY AT CAMP

GOVERNOR COFFIN REVIEWED THE TROOPS FROM HORSEBACK.

An Immense Thrill of Visitors at Camp—Regimental Drill—The Second Fine Showing—An Elegant Clock Presented to Ex-Colonel Doherty.

Camp Coffin, Niantic, Aug. 16.—To-day was Niantic's big day for the year, and a really big day it proved to be. Beginning with the morning trains a steady pour of visitors continued until at 12 o'clock the town was fairly overrun with people from all parts of the state, who had come to witness the chief event of the week in camp, the governor's review. The camp ground itself presented a scene of gala, and from one end to the other it was alive with citizens and their ladies inspecting the encampment and the various details of soldier life. The principal criticism heard from the self-constituted inspectors was highly complimentary and consisted chiefly of such expressions as "Isn't it a pretty sight?" and "The like."

The regular morning exercises were gone through with in the usual manner, with the exception that the participants took particular pains to do everything perfectly, as they were being watched by so many people from home. The guard mount of the Second regiment was said to have been the best of the week, and the boys were feeling especially good, as this morning the brigade inspecting officer, Major Bidle, gave the entire regiment a mark of 100 for policing.

THE SIGNAL CORPS DRILL.

Among the drills of the forenoon was that by the signal corps, which was particularly interesting. It was participated in by all but the third section, which was on special duty at brigade headquarters. The first part of the drill consisted in carrying supposed dead and wounded from the field. The corps was divided up into sections of three men each, one of whom represented the wounded man, while one of the others picked him up and carried him to the hospital on his wheel, and the other carried the wounded man's wheel. The first section did especially fine work at this. The fourth section was then stationed on a hill back of camp, and the second on a hill across the river from which points heliograph signals were sent to headquarters, where they were received by the first.

A field telephone was also laid and connected with Governor Coffin's quarters to show the system to Senator Crosby, who is on the senate military committee.

DIGNITARIES AT LUNCH.

At 12:30 o'clock the governor's and General Haven's staff gave a lunch to their friends in camp in their respective mess houses. Among those present at the lunch given in the mess house of the governor's staff were Colonel H. H. Adams, commander of Lincoln post in New York, and the gentleman through whose efforts the law was passed ordering the national flag to be displayed on all school buildings; Congressman Russell of the Third district; Mrs. Coffin, Mr. Coffin, son of the governor, and wife; Senator Smith, Senator Corbett, John C. Hutchinson, ex-internal revenue collector, Colonel Clark of the Second Massachusetts regiment, Mrs. Henry S. Peck, Miss Munson, Captain A. D. Sanborn and wife, all of New Haven; Senator Johnson of New Haven, and T. J. Ashmun of New Haven.

The guard mount was held at 10 o'clock instead of 11:30, the regular time. At about 1 o'clock people began gathering around the field, the greater number on the southern side near the grandstand, and in fact all along that side of the ground.

THE GOVERNOR'S REVIEW.

At 2 o'clock came the great event of the day, the review. The men were all attired in full dress uniform, with white duck trousers and helmets. All through the company streets for some time before the review could be seen the privates polishing their accoutrements and getting into trim shape. At 2 o'clock the formation for parade began, and the lines were formed on the northern side of the field facing headquarters. Shortly afterwards the governor and staff rode out, his excellency sitting his charger like an old trooper, and wearing a black suit and a silk hat. They took position directly in front of the pavilion, and soon after General Haven and staff rode out taking positions opposite and facing the governor and staff. The bands were then consolidated near the reviewing stand and the troops were left wheeled into companies. General Haven took his place at the head of the column. The parade now began and as General Haven and staff came opposite the reviewing stand they saluted and took positions alongside the governor and staff.

The regiments came in the following order: Fourth, First, Third, Second and colored companies, followed by the Gatling guns and heavy artillery. The signal corps, mounted on bicycles, led the column, and as they passed the governor the officers saluted by touching their hats. At the rear of each regiment marched the hospital corps. The colonels and staffs halted by the reviewing stand until their regiments had passed and then galloped on to the front. The troops passed the reviewing stand at a carry but came to a shoulder after they had passed.

As each regiment's colors were carried by the stand, the reviewing officers saluted. At the conclusion of the review, Lieutenant Colonel Callahan, who was field officer of the day, carried a message to Colonel Burpee from headquarters.

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HE DID NOT DRAW.

Corbett Did Not Prove to be a Card at Buffalo Races.

Buffalo, Aug. 16.—Pugilist Corbett was called in by the management to-day to inject a little interest into the entertainment. A movable platform was constructed in the morning. Between the first and second races it was put over the track in front of the stand and Corbett and his sparring partner, McVey, put up a four round exhibition. Mrs. Corbett No. 2 sat in a box and near her was "Honest" John Kelly who refereed the Corbett-Mitchell match. This special event did not draw as was expected, possibly because Corbett exhibited at the Lyceum theatre earlier in the week. To-morrow Fitzsimmons will box with his partner for the dedication of the race-course.

The statement is printed to-day that if the Hamills decide not to hold a meeting next summer Palmer L. Clarke of Red Oak, Ia., founder of Clarke's Horse Review, of Chicago, stands ready to lease the track.

Taken by the Sheriff.

Princeton, Ill., Aug. 16.—Sheriff Clark, with ten deputies, arrived at Spring Valley at 11 o'clock this morning, provided with warrants for the arrest of thirty-four Italians and four Lithuanians. The accused are charged with assaulting, shooting, and driving the entire colored population out of Spring Valley. The complaint is signed by Charles L. Martin, colored, who upon an examination here yesterday was found to have forty-seven shot in his back and twelve in his head and neck. The sheriff had stationed a few deputies at the top of each shaft and arrested the men this afternoon as fast as they came up.

Injured by a Trolley Car.

New York, Aug. 16.—Peter Van Peet, eight-year-old, No. 4 Butler street, Paterson, was run down by an electric car on the Riverside line this morning and had both legs broken and received a severe scalp wound. Van Peet was running across in front of the car unseen by the motorman until too late to turn off the current. The boy was removed to the general hospital.

Hanged Before 10,000 Persons.

Mount Sterling, Ky., Aug. 16.—John Johnson, colored, was hanged here to-day for the murder of a policeman on June 15. A crowd of fully ten thousand persons, including many negroes, witnessed the hanging. Johnson's neck was not broken by the drop and it was twenty-five minutes before he was pronounced dead by strangulation.

DISASTROUS FIRE AVERTED.

W. W. Sperry's Truck Prevented an Explosion and Blaze on State Street.

Shortly after 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon a disastrous fire was narrowly averted in the wholesale drug store of F. S. Calhoun & Co. on State street near Chapel street. In a store room in the rear of the store proper there was a large vat of phosphorus and directly underneath a barrel of benzine. In some way the top of the vat became loose, allowing the air to enter, and soon the phosphorus began to sizzle over. Had any of it struck the barrel of benzine the result would have been an explosion which would have shaken the building to its foundations and a disastrous fire occurred.

Just at this crisis W. W. Sperry of Westville, a clerk in the store, rushed into the store room and despite the fact that the fumes of the phosphorus nearly suffocated him succeeded in removing it out into the street, where he dumped it, thus preventing all danger. A still alarm was sent to No. 2's engine house and the apparatus promptly responded, but its services were not necessary. Sperry was badly used up by the fumes of the phosphorus. The damage to the store was slight.

MARK TWAIN'S STATEMENT.

He Intends His Lectures as Well as Property for Creditors.

Vancouver, B. C., Aug. 16.—Samuel L. Clemens ("Mark Twain"), who is about leaving for Australia, gave out a statement to-day in which he says in part:

"It has been reported that I sacrificed for the benefit of the creditors the property of the publishing firm whose financial backer I was, and that I am now lecturing for my own benefit. This is an error. I intend the lectures, as well as the property, for the creditors. If it had not been for the imperious moral necessity of paying the firm's debts I should never have taken to the road at this time in life. By far the largest single creditor of the firm is my wife. In satisfaction of her claim she has taken nothing except retaining control of the copyrights of my books. The wreckage of the firm, with what money I can scrape together with my wife's aid, will enable me to pay the other creditors about 50 per cent. of the claims. I intend to ask them to accept that as a legal discharge and trust to my honor to pay the rest as fast as I can earn it. I am confident that I can pay off the last debt within four years."

No Longer Minister to Mexico.

Washington, Aug. 16.—Hon. Matt W. Ransom of North Carolina is no longer minister to Mexico. That office was practically declared vacant to-day by a decision rendered by Holmes Conrad, solicitor general of the United States and acting attorney general. Mr. Ransom's incumbency was declared to be contrary to the constitution, and the acting attorney general sustained the action of Thomas Holcomb, auditor of the treasury, in declining to pass favorably upon Mr. Ransom's vouchers for salary and expenses.

THE INDUSTRIES ARE BUSY

MIDSUMMER QUIET MORE CONSPICUOUS THAN LAST WEEK.

It is Less So Though, Says Bradstreet, in Industrial Than in Commercial Lines—As a Rule Manufacturing Industries Are Exceptionally Busy For the Season.

New York, August 16.—Bradstreet says: Midsummer quiet is more conspicuous than a week ago, though less so in industrial than in commercial lines. As a rule leading manufacturing industries are exceptionally busy for the season and the increase in output of demand and prices for iron and steel still continues. Many in the trade were surprised by the very unfavorable cotton crop report by the government and the price of cotton steadily advanced. Steel billets have also been marked up, as well as some varieties of print cloths. Quotations for flour, oats, pork, sugar, copper and wool have remained firm but unchanged, while declines are recorded by Indian corn on crop reports, by lard and by wheat, notwithstanding the statistical strength of the cereal in every direction except exports.

Jobs in staple lines at Chicago, St. Louis, Kansas City, Omaha, Milwaukee, Minneapolis and St. Paul report an improved demand. The outlook at all those points is for an active fall business and the larger among them report country merchants generally selecting fall stocks quite as freely as expected. Kansas City dealers do not regard an early advance in prices of live stock probable. At Omaha country merchants are said to be buying more freely than for years. At San Francisco leading commercial lines are quieter. Hop-picking is about to begin on that coast with the outlook for only a moderate crop. The wheat crop prospect in California is rather favorable. Washington crops are good. Tacoma reports no considerable lumber shipments about equal to those in the preceding month and the receipt of 10,000 tons of freight this week from the orient. Portland, Ore., wicks that the spring salmon catch on the Columbia river is large.

Throughout the south general trade remains as quiet and in cases quieter than a week ago. Mercantile collections have not begun to improve and at some points jobbers report a small falling off in the volume of sales, though in several instances this is due to rainy weather. On the other hand rain is needed in South Carolina, while in Texas is estimated that even with favorable conditions from this time on the Texas cotton crop will not exceed 2,250,000 bales. Word is received that Texas interior merchants have been cancelling bagging and the orders. Exports of wheat and flour during seven weeks of the fiscal year amounted to 12,000,000 bushels. In the like period one year ago the total exported was 10,000,000 bushels. Two years ago it was 34,000,000 bushels. Bank clearings for the week continue to hold up remarkably well, the total being \$894,000,000, 8 per cent. less than last week, but 13 per cent. less than a year ago.

At Toronto some improvement is shown in trade. At Montreal the week has been quiet and the tendency of prices of cottons and woollens and iron has been up. On the other hand country produce is lower. Mercantile collections are reported satisfactory from Quebec city, but trade there is dull. Nova Scotia houses report a fair volume and collections good. Crop reports from that province are also favorable, but bad weather has interfered with the finishing industry.

MANY NOTABLE IMPROVEMENTS

In Progress at the New Haven House and Soon to be Completed—A Glance at the Work in Progress.

Notable improvements are in progress at the New Haven house in pursuance of the general plan adopted hitherto, which is under the able direction of the Messrs. Mosely, the architectural changes being in the skilled hands of Architect L. W. Robinson. This famous and historic hotel is not only undergoing its annual summer renovation, but many striking improvements are being made which are of interest to the public.

The floor of the ample lobby adjoining the hotel office is to be laid with beautiful mosaic tiling, and the wall next the office will be removed in part, so that the office will open directly into this room as well as into the main corridor. This will be a handsome improvement and also add to the accommodation of patrons. Also the steam heating facilities of the hotel are being extended to twenty-five more rooms, which are being fitted with steam heating apparatus. The New Haven Plumbing and Heating Company has the contract for this work, which is now in progress. This work will be completed about September 1. Last season also steam heating facilities were added to twenty-five of the rooms. Many of the larger rooms have been steam heated for the last fifteen years. A great majority of the